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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUESTS

AGENCY: Department of Education

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by July 1, 2009. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 60th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503, or by email to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

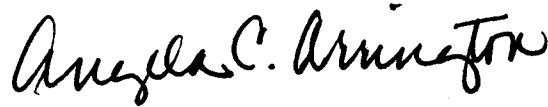
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3)

Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues:

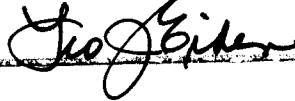
(1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: JUN 02 2009



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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: New

Title: Needs Assessment and Workplan Guide for the Technical Assistance and Continuing Education (TACE) Program

Abstract: Technical Assistance and Continuing Education Centers are required to conduct needs assessment of state vocational rehabilitation agencies and their partners in their regions, and create workplans to address the needs they identify. This guide establishes the requirements for, and information to be reported about, those activities.

Additional Information: The U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) funded ten new regional TACE Centers between September and December 2008 that will provide technical assistance and continuing education to state agencies that provide vocational rehabilitation (VR) and independent living (IL) services to individuals with disabilities. OSERS wants these centers to be fully operational before the beginning of FY 2010, particularly because the agencies to which they provide technical assistance and continuing education received significant funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). In addition to seeking typical technical assistance related to VR and IL, agencies will seek assistance in how to use their ARRA funds and are likely to subcontract with TACE Centers for additional services.

Frequency: Three times per year (includes updates)

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 10

Burden Hours: 900

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4065. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments " to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. **Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.**

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.